

Gazelles Escape Mitchell For First ESD Win



ERIC MAYER/MITCHELL DAILY REPUBLIC
Yankton's Lindsey Hale hits the ball in an Eastern South Dakota Conference volleyball match against Mitchell on Thursday in Mitchell.

MITCHELL – After sur-rendering an early lead, the Yankton Gazelles were able to rally in the fifth set to beat Mitchell in a five-set Eastern South Dakota Conference volleyball thriller on Thursday night in Mitchell. Set scores were 25-18, 25-16, 22-25, 19-25, 15-7.

In what was a balanced attack for the Gazelles (2-4), Becky Frick led the way with 18 kills, three ace serves, four blocks and 28 digs, while Danielle Salvatori had 10 kills, 10 digs and three ace seves.

Also for Yankton, Lindsey Hale had 18 digs, Hannah Bockholt recorded four kills, three blocks and three ace

serves, Ellie Fedders had 14 set assists and 10 digs, and Cameryn Specht posted 13 digs and 21 set assists.

The Gazelles jumped out to an early 2-0 lead in the match, but the Kernels rallied to win the next two sets.

"I thought we played extremely well in sets one and two and just got a little careful, which gave them enough momentum to get back in it," said Yankton assistant coach Leasa Woodward. "They're a great defensive team, and we had to work for every single point."

In snapping a two-match losing skid, the Gazelles played like the aggressors

when it mattered most, Woodward said.

"This is a great gym to play in up here, so to come out of here with a win, even against a young team, is a huge positive for us," she said.

Yankton returns to action Saturday in Pierre.

In sub-varsity action Thursday, Mitchell defeated Yankton 18-25, 25-21, 25-22 in the JV match. Jennica Delvaux had four kills for the Gazelles (2-4), while Anna Savey and Cameryn Specht each had six set assists. Holly Mines led the defense with 13 digs.

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Irene-Wakonda Powers Past Huskies 3-1

WAKONDA – Caitlin Hinseth and Taylor Lee combined for 25 kills and eight blocks as Irene-Wakonda defeated Bridgewater-Emery 25-16, 25-16, 24-26, 25-15 in high school volleyball action Thursday night in Wakonda.

Hinseth recorded 14 kills, four blocks, 10 digs and three ace serves, while Lee had 11 kills, four blocks, six digs and three ace serves.

Also for the hometown Eagles (3-2), Hannah Anderson had 25 set assists, Ashley Emmick had 14 digs and Maria Van Driel had eight digs.

In the loss for Bridgewater-Emery (1-4), Autumn Hilton had eight kills, three blocks and two ace serves, while Joselyn Schrank chipped in with 18 digs.

Both teams return to the floor next Tuesday, with Irene-Wakonda at Freeman Academy and Bridgewater-Emery at home in Emery against Freeman.

BRIDGEWATER-EMERY (1-4)	16	16	26	15
IRENE-WAKONDA (3-2)	25	25	24	25

Ethan 3, Menno 1

MENNO – Rachel Hawkins notched 13 kills and Karly Gustafson added eight kills as the Ethan Rustlers out-last ed Menno 25-10, 19-25, 25-12, 25-15 on Thursday night in Menno.

Ellie Hohn chipped in with 25 set assists, seven digs and five ace serves for Ethan (3-2), while Hawkins also had eight ace serves.

In the loss for Menno (2-2), Paige Heckenlaible had five kills and two blocks, Hailey Fergen had four kills and Tara Spencer recorded 15 digs.

Ethan plays in a Plankinton tournament on Saturday and Menno hosts Howard next Monday.

ETHAN (3-2)	25	19	25	25
MENNO (2-2)	10	25	12	15

Gayville-Volin 3, Freeman 0

FREEMAN – Gayville-Volin's volleyball team continued their undefeated streak as they eased passed Freeman 25-8, 25-11, 25-14 on Thursday night. The Raiders are now 5-0 overall.

Genevieve Clark led the offense with 12 kills on the night, Megan Hirsch followed up with 11 of her own. Clark was also GV's leading defender with 13 digs. Grace Dangel recorded 18 set assists for the visitors.

Freeman's Josie Fuhrman and Ashley Glanzer both recorded 10 digs and Dayna Both added nine.

Freeman will be in action again on Monday with a trip to Scotland while Gayville-Volin will host Viborg-Hurley on Tuesday night.

GAYVILLE-VOLIN (5-0)	25	25	25
FREEMAN (0-6)	8	11	14

Bon Homme 3, Platte-Geddes 0

TYNDALL – The Bon Homme Cavaliers remained undefeated after a 25-13, 25-16, 25-20 sweep of Platte-Geddes on Thursday night in Tyndall.

Jeni Schmidt had nine kills in the win, while Sierra Mesman had eight kills, and Morgan McAllister recorded six kills and two blocks.

Also for the Cavaliers (5-0), Morgan Rothschild had 20 digs and Alie Adams recorded 26 set assists.

In the loss for Platte-Geddes (4-3), Hallie Hallock had six kills and seven digs, Jenna Erickson had 15 set assists and Alexis Peterson had three blocks.

Platte-Geddes plays Andes Central-Dakota Christian next Monday and Bon Homme plays Tripp-Delmont-Armour in Tripp next Tuesday.

PLATTE-GEDDES (4-3)	13	16	20
BON HOMME (5-0)	25	25	25

Wynot 3, Viborg-Hurley 0

VIBORG – Cortney Arkfeld put together a solid all-around effort and had some help as the Wynot Lady Blue Devils swept Viborg-Hurley 25-15, 25-15, 25-11 on Thursday night in Viborg.

Arkfeld recorded 10 kills, two blocks, 10 digs and four ace serves, while Carissa Kuchta had seven kills and Skylar Arkfeld had eight ace serves.

Also for Wynot (3-1), Danielle Wieseler posted 30

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Gazelles Shine In Home Invite



JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D
The Yankton competitive dance team raises their arms at the end of their jazz routine during the Yankton Invitational on Thursday at the Summit Center. Yankton scored at 209.5 in jazz on the way to an average of 215, finishing fourth in the event. Sioux Falls Washington won the team title.

Competitive Cheer & Dance | Yankton Invitational

Dance Team Fourth, Cheer Ninth For YHS

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Sioux Falls Washington won the dance section, as Sioux Falls Roosevelt won the Cheer section in the Yankton Cheer and Dance Invitational on Thursday night at the Summit Center in Yankton. Yankton was able to place fourth in dance and ninth in cheer at its home event.

The Warriors cruised to a victory after placing first in each style of dance, hip hop, jazz, and pom. Behind Washington were Lincoln, Brandon Valley, Yankton, and Roosevelt rounding out the top five.

Yankton's dance coach, Tiffany Mueller, felt good about her team's performance fourth in jazz, third in kick, and fifth in pom, but wants to clean up the little mistakes that were made.

"We got third place last week, so we will take third or fourth place, that's doing well," Mueller said. "They were excited about fourth place, but hopefully next week we will do a little better."

Mueller believed the girls worked well as a team and

were excited to compete at home.

"They danced beautifully as a team," Mueller said. "They were pumped to be at home and performing in front of all their family and friends."

On the cheer side of the competition Roosevelt finished ahead of second Washington, third Rapid City Stevens, and tied fourth Brandon Valley and SF O'Gorman.

Yankton's cheer coach, Kerry Svatos, thought the team had a strong performance, and wants to add difficulty to the team's routine.

"We really have things we want to go back in and work on, but we are proud of the team overall tonight," Svatos said. "I'm thinking we definitely need to go back and add some more difficulty in."

"We have had some people gone and we had to make some changes and kind of take things down to a simpler level, so we want to add some more difficult stunts and increase our level of difficulty from here on out."

Yankton's cheer and dance teams will compete again

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JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D
The Yankton competitive cheer team competes during the Yankton Invitational on Thursday at the Summit Center. The Gazelles scored a 180.5 to place ninth. Sioux Falls Roosevelt won the team title.

Golf: Parkston Boys Win At Vermillion

VERMILLION – Parkston golfers finished 1-2 and put three golfers in the top five on the way to the team title at the Vermillion Invitational boys' golf tournament, held on Thursday at The Bluffs Golf Course in Vermillion.

Parkston shot 308, led by a 73 from Jamie Smith and a 75 from Jacob Lee. Dell Rapids' Ty Hoglund, Parkston's Garret Hohn and Canton's Jake Peterson each shot 76.

Madison finished second at 324, followed by Canton (326), Vermillion (331) and Dell Rapids (333).

TEAM SCORES: Parkston 308, Madison 324, Canton 326, Vermillion 331, Dell Rapids 333, Dakota Valley 341, Tea Area 343, Elk Point-Jefferson 346, Beresford 356, West Central 362, Lennox 372, McCook Central-Montrose 441, Vermillion JV 478

TOP 20: Jamie Smith, Parkston 73; Jacob Lee, Parkston 75; Ty Hoglund, Dell Rapids 76; Garret Hohn, Parkston 76; Jake Peterson, Canton 76; Brian Finn, Tea Area 78; Tanner DenHoeid, Madison 78; Devin Rue, West Central 80; Tanner Burg, Madison 80; Jamison Bull, Dakota Valley 82; Sam Craig, Vermillion 82; Alex DeJong, Canton 82; Cole Anderson, Vermillion 82; Adam Roskam, Canton 82; Connor Henze, Elk Point-Jefferson 83; Hunter Jamison, Madison 83; Bryce Eimers, Madison 83; Ryne Whisler, Vermillion 83; Mason Schmidt, Dell Rapids 84; Cooper Williams, Vermillion 84; Paul Schwasinger, Vermillion 84; Preston Lauters, Lennox 84; Alex Scott, Parkston 84; Nate Hohn, Parkston 84

East Edges Freshmen Bucks

SIoux CITY, Iowa – Caid Koletzky rushed for 61 yards and a touchdown, but Sioux City East defeated the Yankton Bucks 14-12 in freshman football action Thursday.

Donovan Bain ran for 50 yards and a touchdown for Yankton, which trailed 14-0 at halftime.

Quarterback Ethan Wishon completed 6-of-12 passes for 70 yards, while Rex Ryken and Nick Kurtenbach each caught two passes. Wishon led the defense with seven tackles.

Yankton (0-2) hosts Norfolk, Nebraska, next Thursday at 4:15 p.m. at Crane-Youngworth Field.

Vikings Center Sullivan On Short-Term IR

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. (AP) — The Minnesota Vikings have placed center John Sullivan on injured reserve with a designation to return because of a bad back that wasn't healing quickly enough.

The move was made Thursday, four days before the season opener at San Francisco, leaving the Vikings without a second starter on their already unproven offensive line.

Right tackle Phil Loadholt is finished for the year because of a torn Achilles tendon on his left foot. Now Sullivan will miss at least half of the season, following surgery he underwent Wednesday. The eighth-year veteran had a lumbar microdisectomy, a procedure done to repair a herniated disc.

Teams can place one player per season on short-term injured reserve with the designation to return. Sullivan will be eligible to return to practice after six weeks and to games after eight weeks. Factoring in Minnesota's bye, then, Sullivan must miss at least the first seven games. Coach Mike Zimmer said he's expecting Sullivan for the second half but acknowledged there's no guarantee.

"We've been getting a timetable, but that doesn't mean anything," Zimmer said.

Sullivan last practiced with the team Aug.

18. The injury occurred on the field, Zimmer said, and not in the weight room where the Vikings have had some setbacks recently.

After a second epidural injection, Sullivan progressed enough to the point that the Vikings were encouraged, but reality set in this week.

"He was getting better, but he couldn't get over the hump," Zimmer said. "He was running 7 miles an hour on the treadmill in there, but we just couldn't get him over the hump."

Joe Berger has replaced Sullivan, leaving the Vikings without their top backup guard but giving them the comfort of an 11-year veteran who will play in his 100th career game Monday night against the 49ers. According to Vikings records, Berger has been flagged for only one holding penalty in his NFL career. He signed his fourth contract with Minnesota in March, after originally joining the team in 2011. He has 38 career starts on his resume.

"No concern at all. We expect guys to go in there and play," Zimmer said. "They'll do a good job."

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